

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph.

[0001] The present application claims priority from ~~co-pending expired~~ U.S. provisional application serial No. 60/275,809, filed Mar. 14, 2001 and entitled "Identity-Based Service Communication Using XML Messaging Interfaces", which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. The present application is related to pending application 10/003,750 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/003,753 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; patented application 10/003,754 (U.S. 6,985,958) filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/003,767 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/017,680 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/021,264 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/021,291 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/021,316 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; pending application 10/021,563 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809; and pending application 10/033,177 filed on 10-22-2001 which claims the benefit of 60/275,809.

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